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Berlin, April 19.

ON the 15th Inſtant in the Morning the King of Pruſſia ſet out for Nauen and Potſdam; and deſigns to return hither towards the End of this Month. The freſheſt Advices we have from Petersbourg, are dated the 28th of laſt Month, and relate that the Czar having cauſed the old Prince Gagarin to be hanged the 27th, ſet out the ſame Day for Riga, accompanied by the Czarina and M. Tolſtoy: His Czariſh Majeſty had declared that he would ſtay but a few Days at Riga, and proceed from thence to Revel, to give ſome Orders there relating to the military Operations of the enſuing Campaign. At the time the Czar left Petersbourg, the Marriage of the Duke of Holſtein with one of the Princeſſes his Czariſh Majeſty's Daughters was not an Affair ſettled, and it was thought might be ſet aſide.

Hague, April 25. Admiral Somerſdyck having received his Inſtructions, and taken Leave of the States, is gone this Morning for Amſterdam, in order to imbark on the 29th or 30th Inſtant, and ſail with the firſt fair Wind for Cadiz, whither the two Men of War furniſhed by the Admiralty of the Maeſe, and one by that of Zealand, which are not ready yet, will follow and join him. The Aſſembly of the States of the Province of Holland, is put off till the Middle of May. The Project of Farming the Cuſtoms is not yet fixed; for though it be now conſented to by all the Provinces, there are new Difficulties raiſed by thoſe who have offered to undertake that Farm, who will not enter into any Engagement till they are aſſured the Magiſtrates of the Towns will not intermeddle in the Collecting of the Duties which ſhall be ſettled by the new Tariff; and that Point is now under the Conſideration of the ſeveral Towns. There are Advices from Lorrain, that the Prince of Modena upon ſome Diſcontent had left the Duke his Father's Court, and was come to Nancy with the Princeſs his Conſort, whither the Duke of Orleans has ſent to deſire him not to proceed farther into France, as he deſigned, but to return Home.

St. James's, April 18. This Day the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of London waited on His Majeſty to congratulate him on the Birth of the young Prince; and Mr. Recorder made their Compliments to His Majeſty, to the Effect following;

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

THE Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of London moſt humbly intreat your Majeſty's Permiſſion to congratulate your Majeſty on the Birth of the young Prince.

Theſe your Majeſty's faithful and dutiful Subjects, being ſenſible of their Felicity under the Government of a Proteſtant King, having Reaſon to be thankful for the Preſervation of their Religion, their Laws and Liberties, and for the many Bleſſings they enjoy from your Majeſty's mild and gracious Diſpoſition, cannot but rejoyce at this Increaſe of your Majeſty's Royal Progeny, at this Addition of Strength to the Proteſtant Intereſt, and on this agreeable Proſpect of the Continuance of Happineſs to them and their Poſterity.

They have great Satisfaction in the Hopes that this young Prince will inherit the bright and virtuous Qualities of his Anceſtors; they beg Leave to wiſh for his Health and Welfare, and that your Majeſty may live long and have the Comfort to ſee him flouriſh and proſper, to ſee him prove an Ornament to your Majeſty's moſt illuſtrious Family, a Glory and Honour to the Britiſh Nation.

To which His Majeſty was pleaſed to give the following moſt gracious Anſwer.

THE Zeal and Affection you have upon all Occaſions ſhewn to my Perſon and Government, leave me no Room to doubt of your Joy at this happy Increaſe of my Family.

I cannot omit taking this Opportunity of aſſuring you, that I am truly concerned at the Calamnity brought upon you, by the wicked Management of Affairs in the South Sea Company; I have however this Comfort, that the Reproach of any Part of this Misfortune cannot with the leaſt Juſtice be imputed to Me. Nothing will give me more Eaſe and Satisfaction, than the ſeeing you delivered from your preſent Sufferings, your Trade revived, and publick Credit re-eſtabliſhed.

Office of Ordnance, March 31, 1721.

Whereas the Right Honourable and Honourable the Principal Officers of His Majeſty's Ordnance have received Information on Oath, concerning one Robert Parker, a Blackſmith, commonly called Solliciter Parker, (who hath practiſed as a Sollicitor in the Fleet for ſeveral Years) for forging their Predeceſſors Hands, and for ſuborning of Witneſſes in ſeveral Cauſes which are now depending in the Courts of Law and Equity; and whereas the ſaid Parker is committed to Newgate, in order to be tried for the ſaid Practice, and there is Reaſon to believe that he has been concerned in many other ſuch Practices not yet diſcovered; Notice is hereby given, that if any Perſons who have been concerned with the ſaid Parker in any illegal Practices, or others who can give Information thereof, will apply themſelves to Thomas Smith, Sollicitor to the Board of Ordnance, at the ſaid Board in the Tower, or to the ſaid Smith at his Houſe near the Monument, and make a full and fair Diſcovery of the ſame, they will receive all fitting Encouragement.

South-Sea-Houſe, April 21, 1721.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company do hereby give Notice, That the Tranſfer Books of the ſaid Company will be opened on Monday the 1ſt of May next, and continue open every Monday, Wedneſday and Friday. And they do likewiſe give Notice, That for the greater Security of the Proprietors, no Foreign Letters of Attorney for Tranſferring Stock in the ſaid Company will be admitted, but ſuch as are atteſted by a Notary; and that all other Letters of Attorney are to be atteſted by the Miniſter or Curate of the Pariſh and the Church-Wardens, or by a Notary, or two Juſtices of the Peace. The ſaid Court of Directors do alſo hereby give Notice, That Attendance will be continued at their Houſe in Broad-ſtreet, London, till the 29th of April Inſtant, for all Perſons to make their Claims for the Stock to be given for their reſpective Intereſts in the 3d and 4th Money Subſcriptions, according to the Advertiſement publiſhed for that Purpoſe in the Gazettes of the 25th and 28th of March laſt; and the ſaid Court of Directors do hereby give further Notice, that all Claims made on or before the 29th Inſtant, ſhall have Stock accordingly given for the ſame on the 18th of May next, unleſs before that time diſputed; and the Dividend to Chriſtmas laſt for the ſame ſhall be then paid with the utmoſt Expedition.